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UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(b)(2)Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97(b) and 1.98, Applicant for the above-identified application hereby submits legible copies of the following relevant art as required by 37 CFR 1.98(b):

- A. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. H11-228430 published in Japan on August 24, 1999;
- B. European Patent Publication No. EP 0 829 261 A2 published by the European Patent Office on March 18, 1998;
- C. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. H8-134091 published in Japan on May 28, 1996;
- D. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. H11-243928 published in Japan on September 14, 1999; and
- E. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2000-281673 published in Japan on October 10, 2000.

The above-listed prior art, which are all in Japanese except for EP 0 829 261, are cited in the International Search Report issued by Japanese Patent Office to the above-identified International Application.

Though non-English language prior art are submitted, the Search Report (a copy thereof

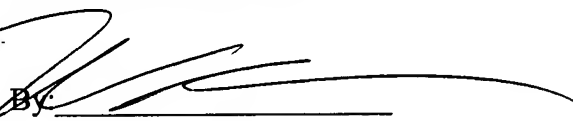
enclosed) is written in English and the degree of relevance is indicated therein by way of the markings of As and Xs along with the explanation of such markings. Accordingly, pursuant to MPEP Section 609, the requirement for a concise explanation of relevance pursuant to 37 CFR 1.1.98(a)(3) for each of these non-English language prior art is satisfied, and an English concise explanation thereof is omitted herein.

Nonetheless, an English summary of each one of the non-English prior art is attached to the copy of such prior art.

Accordingly, it is hereby respectfully requested that the Patent Office make a record of these relevant art and consider them during the examination.

Respectfully submitted,

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